

March 23, 2018

Applicant information:

BEN: 121164/3278

Lempster Community School

Reference 471 application #: 181034151

Contact Person:

Darcie Shepard

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I do not currently have any documentation of USAC's decision. The notification window advised that we were submitting our application outside the window.

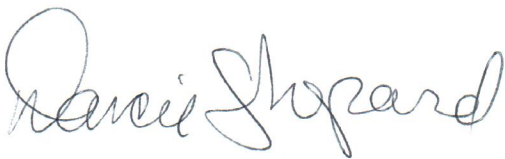
Explanation for appeal:

I am currently seeking a waiver in the closing date of filing form 471. I was in negotiations with our current ISP to update our contract for a lower price for internet and also better bandwidth. All bids that I had received up to this point were more than our current price and were not able to offer all services that we were seeking. I just received the last bid from our current provider and filed the 471 this morning.

I am hoping that you will accept this explanation so that our school will still be able to receive a discount on internet access.

The reimbursement check that we receive every year allows our very rural and poor school to improve the technology needs of our students.

Thank you for your time.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Darcie Shepard". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and contact information.

Darcie Shepard

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